GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:348
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2001
USE OF PESTICIDES
S. SAIDUZZAMAN

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have been phasing out dangerous pesticides;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are aware of the highly deleterious effects of Allethrin and its related isomers which are being widely used and advertised;

(d) whether the Government will advise the manufacturers to desist from such advertisements; and

(e) whether the Government will also review the case in accordance with FAO Code onAdvertising to which Government of India is a party?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.348 DUE FOR REPLY ON 16TH AUGUST, 2001.

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. So far 27 pesticides and 4 formulations of 3 other pesticides have been banned for use in the country as shown in the Annexure.

(c): Allethrin and its isomers do not cause any deleterious effect on human health, if they are used as per the guidelines prescribed by the Registration Committee under the Insecticides Act, 1968.

(d)&(e): Do not arise in view of reply to part (c) of the question.

ANNEXURE

LIST OF PESTICIDES BANNED IN INDIA

A. Pesticides banned for manufacture, import and use (24 Nos.)

1. Aldrin

2. Benzene Hexachloride

3. Calcium Cyanide

4. Chlordane

5. Copper Acetoarsenite

6. Dibromochloropropane

7 Endrin

8. Ethyl Mercury Chloride

9. Ethyl Parathion
10. Heptachlor
11. Menazene
12. Nitrofen
13. Paraquat dimethyl sulfate
14. Pentachloro nitrobenzene
15. Pentachlorophenol
16. Sodium Methane Arsonate
17. Tetradifon
18. Texafen
19. Aldicarb
20. Chlorhenzilate
21. Dieldrin
22. Maleic hydrozide
23. Ethelene Dibromide
24. TCA

B. Pesticide banned for use but their manufacture is allowed for export (3 Nos.).

25. Nicotin Sulfate
26. Phenyl Mercury Acetate
27. Captafol

C. Pesticide formulations banned for import, manufacture and use (4 Nos.)

1. Methomyl 24% L

2. Methomyl 12.5% L

3. Phosphamidon 85% SL

4. Carbofuron 50% G